



Supported Living

Overview

Supported Living offers person-centered instruction and supports to help adults live in their own homes with one to three other residents. Individuals pay their own rent, food and other personal expenses. Services can vary from a few hours a month to up to 24 hours per day and support personal power, choice and full access to the community.

Community residential providers are contracted statewide with the Developmental Disabilities Administration to provide SL services. These services are based on an individual's need and the household's shared supports. Supported Living is also offered by the State-Operated Living Alternatives programs.



Eligibility Requirements

Individuals who are:

- Enrolled and eligible clients of DDA.
- 18 years of age or older.
- Currently on or approved for the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Core waiver.
- Assessed to need SL services to meet their health and welfare needs in their person-centered service plan.

Budget

The annual cost for Supported Living in 2020 was approximately \$625 million.

Rates

Supported Living rates are based on the client's assessment and a tiered rate is determined. The reimbursement for each tier can be found at [DDA Rates](#).

Partners

- Individuals receiving services
- Families of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities
- Self-advocates
- Advocacy organizations
- Counties
- Service providers
- Service Employees International Union (SEIU)
- Aging and Long Term Care Services Administration Residential Care Services Division

Authority

[Chapter 71A RCW, Developmental Disabilities](#)

[Chapter 388-825 WAC, DDA Services Rules](#)

[Chapter 388-828 WAC, DDA Assessment](#)

[Chapter 388-101 WAC, Certified Residential Services and Supports](#)

[Chapter 388-101D WAC, Requirements for Providers of Residential Services and Supports](#)



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Oversight

The Department of Social and Health Services uses a formal review and evaluation process to determine whether a service provider has complied with certification requirements described in [Chapter 388-101 WAC](#), [Chapter 388-101D WAC](#), and DDA policies, and the DDA contract. The Aging and Long Term Care Services Administration RCS Division conducts certification evaluation of the contracted agencies at least every two years.

Investigation of any complaints regarding abuse, neglect, exploitation, financial exploitation or mistreatment of clients is conducted by the RCS Division.



External

- DSHS' ALTSA Residential Care Services Division
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- Washington State Department of Children, Youth and Families
- Washington State Auditor's Office
- Washington State Department of Health

Internal

- DDA Office of Compliance and Monitoring
- DDA Office of Quality Programs and Stakeholder Involvement